

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# The City Of Augusta

## *Proclamation*

*IN RECOGNITION OF “National Nurses Week 2004”*

*WHEREAS, the nearly 2.7 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and*

*WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and*

*WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventative health care; and*

*WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and*

*WHEREAS, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and*

*WHEREAS, that more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and*

*WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future.*

*NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6-12, 2004, to be “NATIONAL NURSES WEEK 2004” in Augusta, Georgia, and encourage the citizens to celebrate registered nurse’s accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.*

*IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have unto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2004.*

*Mayor*